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Q & A With Keith: Penberthy

Q: What’s new with the Penberthy fields. Also, how many of each type of field do we have, etc?
A: Over the summer we completely reconstructed Penberthy 7 & 8 (game/competition fields). This comprised of total rebuilt and reshaping of the fields. Fields were laser leveled with a 1% crown. For leveling purposes, the fields were raised almost 3 ft. We also placed new sod over the entire 7 & 8 area as opposed to using grass seed and sprigs. Also, Penberthy has 4 non-lighted practice fields.

Q: When did we get the sweet new water cooler stands and how many of them are out there?
A: We purchased 6 new water cooler stands in order to keep the coolers off of the stands and for more sanitary and convenience reasons.

Q: What is the 411 on the Sport Club Supervisors and their responsibilities?
A: The Sport Club Supervisor position was developed in the Spring 08 semester, but took full effect this fall. They have numerous responsibilities, as well as serving as a liaison between the clubs and staff who practice at Penberthy. They have direct communication with the medic staff as well. The supervisors now allow us to have staff/representatives at the fields during most hours of operation, which was something very much needed.

Q: Are there any other new or improved things at Penberthy that we don’t even know about yet?
A: Something that has been at Penberthy for a couple of years now, but is very under-utilized are the outdoor scoreboards. Any event held on fields 7 & 8 should be using these. They add another level of game atmosphere to the club experience. It also doesn’t hurt for everyone to know the time and score of the game. In order to use the scoreboards, clubs just have to come in on Friday to pick up the score panels from my office.

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Sport Club Spotlights

Archery

The Texas A&M Archery team has an impressive legacy as the 11 time Collegiate National Champions. Recently they hosted the Aggie Invitational Tournament (125 participants) at the Student Rec Center on October 24-26. Looking to the Spring the club will host two more tournaments, including Indoor Nationals. Also in their sights are set on hosting the US Intercollegiate Archery Championships, a.k.a. Outdoor Nationals at the Penberthy Intramural Sports Complex in late April. Members of the team travel as far as Sweden and Taiwan to compete at the world level, and Vic Wunderle, a former team member, competed in the 2008 Beijing Olympics. There are 15-20 active, competing members on the team.

Ultimate Frisbee

The Texas A&M Ultimate Frisbee club is getting bigger and better every year! The team has experienced some tremendous growth this year, adding 35 new players to the club. The Ultimate club consists of a men’s A and B team and a women’s team. The top men’s team has 21 players, the B-team consists of 30 players, and the women’s team has 18 players. These strong numbers are very beneficial to club and will help them accomplish their club goal this year, which is to attend nationals. That feat can only be accomplished by advancing through the sectional and regional tournaments. This is a difficult task, but the Ultimate team looks to take it on this in the upcoming season. The club has already experienced success in their recent tournament in Norman, OK. The Aggies achieved victories over North Texas, OU, and John Brown University.

Another event that the club recently hosted was their Annual Hat Tournament. In the tournament, many players from the area came out and put their names in a hat. Then teams are formed through random selection. This is a social event as much as it is a fundraiser. It also gives new players valuable experience that the club will benefit from as a whole. The Aggies foresee this experience for their new players to result in some extraordinary success in the spring. Gig ‘Em Ultimate!

Cycling

The Cycling Club competes in two seasons: mountain bike in the fall and road bike in the spring. This fall, they competed in 5 races around the state of Texas, including the Power Pedal which they hosted at Lake Bryan. The Power Pedal was a huge success, and consisted of a short track race, a night trail, and a morning cross country race.

Next up was the South Central Collegiate Cycling Conference’s (SCCCC) Championship weekend. After the points were tallied and the medals given out, Texas A&M walked away with several sweepings of various divisions’ podiums and a ninth consecutive Conference Championship! Texas A&M also had the men’s and women’s individual conference champions, Chad Haga and Abby Richmond. Chad and Abby both went on to finish in the top 50 at nationals in North Carolina.

There are about 30 active members, and the club gets a majority of their funding through Kyle Field and Reed Arena cleanups, hosting races, and jersey sponsorships. The team is looking forward to an exciting road bike season in the spring!

The next Sport Clubs meeting is February 2nd at 7:30 in Room 281.